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For: QUALITY IMPROVEMENT TECHNIQUES IN AN AUDIO ENCODER

Enclosed are:

<u>46</u> pages of specification, <u>8</u> pages of claims, an abstract and a Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney.

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